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Library of work - in the broadest definition, an civilian employment for the government (I have chosen Civil Service classified engineering, this is my task as I write), in war industries of production.

The plain facts are that there is a critical shortage of technical men in all branches.

Hand in hand with this need are the confusing announcements from the military authorities and conflicting newspaper accounts regarding selective service policies.

But the answer - I have only one - is tight, don't rock the boat yet as much of this essential training as you can and hope that the Manpower Commission, sooner or later, will clarify the situation.

Meanwhile, local draft boards are continuing to defer on the six month basis, engineers in training, who are "C" average or better and whom the Dean can certify good standing in the School of Engineering.

The school of Engineering is meeting this demand as follows:
(1) Maintaining for students eligible
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ENGINEERING SOCIETIES PICNIC

The joint picnic of the three engineering societies has been postponed. The tentative date of October 1st has been engineering students are available on this picnic, and will try to gather and make comfortable arrangements for the members. Children in the Society of Civil Engineers, as well as the other societies, are available.

The regular fall mixer, which has become a traditional event in the School of Engineering, will take place on October seventh at 8 pm. The program is indefinite, but the President of the University, President Floyd H. Marvin, and our Dean, Dean F. M. Feikert will be there to speak, as well as most of the faculty and student enrollment. It is principally for the new men to meet the older men and the professors, and for everyone to have a good time.

CALENDAR

Sept.	28	Mon.	Classes	long
Sept.	30	Wed.	Sigma Tau	long
Oct.	7	Wed.	MIXER	
Oct.	14	Wed.	Sigma Tau	short
			Societies	
Oct.	21	Wed.	Sigma Tau	long
Oct.	28	Wed.	Theta Tau	long
Nov.	4	Wed.	Sigma Tau	short
			Societies	
Nov.	11	Wed.	Theta Tau	short
			Council	
Nov.	18	Wed.	Sigma Tau	long
Nov.	25	Wed.	Theta Tau	long
Dec.	2	Wed.	Sigma Tau	short
			Societies	
Dec.	9	Wed.	Theta Tau	short
			Council	
Dec.	16	Wed.	Sigma Tau	long
Dec.	21	Mon.	Christmas	long
Jan.	4	Mon.	Classes	short

Society meetings and Council meetings to start at 8:00 P.M.
Dinner meetings at 7:00 P.M. to be held at 8:00 P.M. and end at 9:00 P.M.
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LISTEN BROTHER

This is the beginning of the fall semester, the second semester of the newly accelerated war program in the School of Engineering. We are in the midst of the biggest war mankind has ever known, and we engineers know our responsibilities. We know that the future rests on our shoulders, and is guided by our hands. That we shall learn to guide it safely is our main object for being here at a University. So far the officials, and the country at large, realizes that we must continue to educate for the future, and that engineers and doctors must continue to go to school, even if to some, action on the battlefields seems more important.

As long as we are granted the opportunity to go to school, it is the responsibility of every student to take the fullest advantage of it. (And don't let us hear any one say that we students are afraid or unable to face responsibilities.)

This means diligent concentration on studying and learning. But don't be misguided into the belief that all learning is done in the classroom. It is only the place to learn the rules, the rest and perhaps the most important part, is outside of school.

WHAT'S AHEAD FOR THE ENGINEER

(FOR YOU)

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for admission to degree courses an accelerated full time training program.

- (2) Offering several special credit courses in the regular credit curricula for engineers in service.
- (3) Offering groups of fifteen non-credit defense training courses.
- (4) Helping each enrolled student to plan his program to meet the several demands of the armed service leading to commissions or deferred civilian employment in the Government and in industry.

We don't know the future. Each of you can keep cheerful, hold up your scholarship, plan your work, and work your plan.

We do know that every engineer, whether he is fully or partially trained is needed in the service of his country and that our faculty, our alumni, and our students are taking and will take a vital part in the war.

Your Dean,

Frederick J. Feikser

A LITTLE NEWS ON THE DRAFT SITUATION

Secretary Stimson made an announcement several days ago which clarified his original statement concerning the imminent induction into the army of the college enlisted reserves. He made it known that he believed there was considerable misapprehension on the part of some people concerning students of engineering and other specialized courses. The Secretary pointed out that local draft boards were instructed to defer for occupational reasons students and teachers considered essential in the war effort. He declared that such persons should remain in college until called as "they're doing the job their country wants them to do."

Ordinarily, at this time of year you would be getting together and discussing the year's work and social activities, and reminiscing about our traditional summer parties on the beach or somewhere in the country. Instead, we have had a head start for the year, or a combination of the last year's activities, whichever way you look at it.

Although most of us are in this position, some new fellows will be with us who are fresh and just beginning. For their "edification", Theta Tau is a professional engineering college fraternity founded on October 15, 1904 at the University of Minnesota for the purpose of fostering good fellowship and responsible thinking among men on whose shoulders will fall the duty of maintaining and increasing the high standards of the Engineering Profession.

Here at school we learn to work, plan, and execute and our tasks to the end that we may be better prepared for the greater responsibilities.

You fellows who have had a taste of the engineering subjects and like it enough to want an active part in the extra-curricular activities; join your respective engineering societies and find yourself a job to help out.

We have added three pledges to Gamma Beta chapter who will be initiated at our next big function, the fraternities' birthday initiation, banquet and dance, on October 17th. They are Edgar Berndahl and Bill Silbert from the M.E.'s and George Gunney from the C.E.'s.

We have acquired another female of the species, via Mickey Schultz. She was initiated one late Saturday afternoon in September, just before Labor Day. Happy Days!

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MIXED
OCTOBER 7

EVERY ENGINEER
IS INVITED TO
COME WEDNESDAY
NIGHT AT 8 PM,
OCTOBER 7, AND
JOIN IN THE
THREE "E'S"

(EDUCATION-ENTERTAINMENT
& EATS)

EVERYONE ELSE WILL
BE THERE, WILL YOU?

Editors of the MACH LLOCIV:

I do not like the MACH LLOCIV as it now appears. I would like to make the following suggestions:

Signed (if you want)

Note: Kindly fill this in (add a sheet of paper if you wish) and drop it in the box outside the Dean's Office, as a help to the editors.

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